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## **Sheryl E. Murray**



### **Assistant Deputy Commandant for Manpower and Reserve Affairs U.S. Marine Corps**

Mrs. Murray assists the Deputy Commandant for Manpower and Reserve Affairs (DC M&RA) in the operation and management of the M&RA Department, its programs, plans, policies and studies, ensuring integration of all its diverse functions towards accomplishment of the Marine Corps mission. The M&RA Department involves a broad range of functions important to active and reserve component Marines, family members, and Civilian Marines.

Mrs. Murray was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in January 2007 and has two years of Federal Service.

Prior to this appointment, she served 34 years as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. She attended Marine Corps Officer Candidate School in 1972 and retired as a colonel in 2006. Her first assignment was as the Assistant Depot Adjutant and then as a Series Commander, Woman Recruit Training Command, Parris Island, SC. Throughout her military career, she held Manpower and Personnel assignments at a myriad of Marine Corps commands including: Camp H. M. Smith, Hawaii; Marine Corps Air Station, Okinawa, Japan; Marine Corps Base, Quantico, VA; Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC; Second Marine Aircraft Wing, and 3d Force Service Support Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Okinawa, Japan.

As a colonel, her assignments included Inspector/Assistant Chief of Staff, G-7, Marine Forces Pacific; Head, Promotion Branch, M&RA; and Deputy Director, Division of Public Affairs. In 2000, she was assigned to the Joint Staff, as the Chief, Personnel Services Division, and then as the Vice Director, J1/ Manpower and Personnel. In 2003, she was assigned as the Deputy Director, Reserve Affairs, M&RA, HQMC. She served from 2001 to 2003 as the U.S. Delegate to the Women in NATO Committee. She was designated a Joint Specialty Officer in 2005.

Her command tours include Commanding Officer, Education Center Company, Quantico, VA; Commanding Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> Recruit Training Battalion, Parris Island, SC; and Commanding Officer, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Forces Pacific.

Her civilian education includes a bachelor's of arts in political science, Huron University, and a master's of science, business administration, Boston University. She graduated from the Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Her personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two gold stars, Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars, Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal.